

Seattle/King County



To understand Seattle and its greater metropolitan area, you must first consider two things: the city's position on the globe and its position in the 21st century.

Seattle is the biggest city west of Chicago, north of San Francisco, east of Tokyo and south of the North Pole. And commanding that position on a shrinking planet, it has become an international center for commerce, industry, and trade in the new millennium.

THE SEATTLE EXPERIENCE

As a tourist destination people from all over the country and around the world flock to soak up the city's antiquated charms, regional differences, and commercial bravado. A century and a half ago, Seattle was a hopeful little settlement clinging to the shores of Elliott Bay. A benevolent but wet climate, ample natural resources, and the kindness of the Duwamish and Suquamish people and their inspired leader, Chief Sealth, allowed the village to flourish. Seattle was named for Chief Sealth and his image can be found all over the city. Today the metropolitan area is 3.5 million strong, and includes the robust communities of Bellevue and Kirkland, Bothell, Redmond, Mercer Island, Renton, Kent, Auburn, Federal Way and the dozens of residential enclaves in between.

A COMMUNITY WITH ATTITUDE AND FLAIR

There is more to do here than anyone has time for: museums, live theaters, a world-class ballet, symphony, zoo, restaurants, shopping, nightlife, glamorous places to stay, and fascinating streets to walk. Then there are the neighborhoods, one after another, each with its own distinctive character from funky Fremont with its delightful hodgepodge of shops and eateries, to chic Madison Park and Queen Anne, on to "with-it" Capitol Hill and bustling Little Saigon.

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

ARE A PERFECT START

But to discover Seattle you must begin with the clichés. A good place to begin your exploration is atop the watchful eye of the Space Needle at the Seattle Center. This Seattle icon is hard to miss, and you must take the 41-second elevator ride to the top for the 360-degree view of the lakes, mountains, salt water and sparkling city below. Expand your viewing time with a leisurely meal at the world's first revolving restaurant.

Below the Space Needle is the magical and stimulating Pacific Science Center. There are five buildings that comprise the complex, creating a masterpiece of childhood delight (regardless of your age) with their hands-on exhibits.

Nearby, the unusual building with the funny colors and mismatched exterior walls is the Experience Music Project. Designed by world-

renowned architect Frank Gehry, this interactive music museum was created by Paul Allen to provide an ongoing exploration of musical diversity from the past, present and future.

DOWNTOWN AND THE WATERFRONT

The easiest and most unique way to travel between the sights and sounds of the Seattle Center and downtown Seattle is to hop aboard the Monorail, a remnant of the 1962 Seattle World's Fair. Ride to the Pike Place Market, where you may have to dodge a 40-pound mackerel being tossed through the air by one of the infamous fishmongers. Enjoy a latte' at the first Starbucks.

Head west to the waterfront and the Seattle Aquarium at Pier 59. This collection of underwater exhibits is a perfect family outing. Next to the aquarium, the IMAX Dome Theater surrounds viewers in scenes like the eruption of Mount St. Helens or dolphins at play. Stroll along the waterfront and inhale the indelible combination of salt water and the wafting fragrance of fresh fish and chips.

GET OUT ON THE SOUND

A unique way to enjoy Seattle is from the waters of Puget Sound. Local cruises can take you through Lake Union and Lake Washington, the interesting Ballard Locks or to some of the area's marinas and harbors.

A boat tour to Tillicum Village is an opportunity to witness traditional dances and legends in a northwest coast Indian longhouse. Located on Blake Island, just eight miles from the waterfront, this is a memorable four-hour excursion complete with a fabulous alder-baked salmon feast.

If Victoria, B.C. is on your itinerary, the Victoria Clipper's popular day or overnight trip can provide a perfect mode of transportation. The Clipper only takes two hours to get to Victoria, leaving plenty of time for immersing yourself in that city's charms.



EXPLORE HISTORIC PIONEER SQUARE

If you head south from the waterfront, be sure to walk up First Avenue to Pioneer Square. This former home of legendary pioneers like Doc Maynard now features a variety of bookstores, art galleries, restaurants, live jazz and blues. On a clear summer night, listen for the roar of the crowd at Safeco Field as Ichiro gets yet another record setting clutch base hit.

Be sure to budget time to take the Underground Tour, a humorous overview of the ancient plumbing conundrums and old-time politics that affected the city's future, the tour begins in a restored 1890s public house.

TRY THE MUSEUMS, PARKS AND ZOOS

In Seattle, the cultural offerings are as interesting and varied as the landscape. The Seattle Art Museum, better known as SAM, is perfectly placed downtown and has a collection of more than 21,000 objects from all over the world. For a slightly more technical fare, you can easily spend half a day at either The Museum of History and Industry or the Museum of Flight at Boeing Field.

Seattle's 92-acre Woodland Park Zoo is noted for its cutting edge exhibits, expansive horticultural collection and summer performing arts series. Don't miss the baby elephant at this award-winning zoo.

Stroll the Washington Park Arboretum and the Japanese Garden. Walk down to the waterfront and take the trolley to the International District and hike back up to Freeway Park. Then drive over to West Seattle for a walk around Alki Point where the first settlers landed and a fabulous photo opportunity of the downtown skyline and waterfront.

OFF TO THE RACES

Just 30-minutes south of downtown in the beautiful Kent Valley, Emerald Downs, the premier thoroughbred live racing venue in the northwest, runs mid-April through September. After your day at the races, head to Renton for the Spirit of Washington Dinner Train to experience the nostalgia of a by-gone era as you travel in luxurious, vintage rail cars along the shores of Lake Washington to the Columbia Winery.

EAST KING COUNTY

Don't miss Bellevue. A drive across Lake Washington to this city of bold glass towers and impeccably landscaped residences is a telescopic view into the vigor and wealth of this region — a theme that is often repeated from Tukwila to Redmond and on to Woodinville. Head east on Interstate 90 and you'll come to the picturesque village of Issaquah, a little further and you can visit Snoqualmie Falls. And still to the east is the mountain town of North Bend. Here is the gateway to Mount Si and you can hike up near its 4,167 foot summit for a panoramic view of both civilization and wilderness. And it's all within King County.

MORE THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE

The Puget Sound metropolitan area is a sophisticated, cosmopolitan place these days. But from the industrial pockets and noisy diners of Sodo and the cluttered moorages of Fisherman's Terminal, to the pastoral byways of Carnation and Duval, this is a region that has never forgotten where it all began.



Fresh produce at the famous Pike Place Market

©2002 John Marshall



Seattle skyline at dusk

Contact Information

Seattle King County Convention and Visitors Bureau

206-461-5840

www.seeseattle.org

Seattle Cruises

Sea it all with Argosy



Argosy Cruises offers 4 cruises featuring breathtaking views, Seattle's famous places, history and facts of the area.

Harbor Cruise/Pier 55, Lakes Cruise Seattle/South Lake Union, Locks Cruise/Pier 56, Lakes Cruise Kirkland/Kirkland City Dock.

Argosy Cruises | Pier 56 | Downtown Seattle Waterfront | 206-623-1445
www.argosycruises.com

Experience Music Project

at Seattle Center

**There's no space
or experience like it
anywhere in the world!**

Experience Music Project is 140,000 square feet of music, historical exhibits, and dynamic entertainment. Whether your preference is blues, jazz, hip-hop, funk, punk, country, or rock 'n' roll, you'll find something at EMP that strikes a chord!

For the price of admission you can:

- Catch a music video on the world's largest indoor video screen.
- Make your own music in the futuristic Sound Lab.
- Groove on Artist's Journey, a music-powered thrill ride.
- Personalize your museum experience with a free, interactive audio tour.
- And much, much more!

Spend all day at EMP or just drop by for a bite to eat! EMP's restaurant and lounge are open to the public at no admission or cover charge.

For more information, call **206.EMPLIVE** or toll free at **1.877.EMPLIVE**, or visit emplive.com.

Photography by Tim Hursley

EXPERIENCE **MUSIC** PROJECT.
325 Fifth Ave. N., Seattle, WA
emplive.com



Adventure Outdoors

509 1st Avenue, Seattle 98119
206-286-7550/800-755-3789

www.freeyellow.com/members/tours

1-10 day tours to Vancouver-Victoria, Whistler Mountain, Olympic National Park and other Washington locations. Visit ocean beaches, rain forests and alpine meadows. Email address: HEllis3341@aol.com

Bed & Breakfast Assoc. of Suburban Seattle

904 Grant Ave S, Renton 98055
email: bolly@bollybedgehouse.com

www.seattlebestbandb.com

Select from Victorian, Tudor, rural, in-town, inns, suites, private cottages with water or mountain views. Amenities, private pools, hot tubs, fireplaces, etc. Contact B&B of choice.

Chateau Ste. Michelle Winery

14111 NE 145th St, Woodinville 98072
425-415-3300 www.chateau-ste-michelle.com

Washington state's oldest and most prestigious winery offers award-winning wines and a tasting experience second to none at our chateau and historic grounds near Seattle.

Columbia Winery

14030 NE 145th Street, Woodinville 98072
425-488-2776 www.columbiawinery.com

Nestled in the beautiful Sammamish Valley on the outskirts of Seattle, is the Northwest's best kept secret-the Columbia Winery celebrating our 40th Anniversary. Complimentary wine tasting and tours, unique extensive gift shop, picnic area, charming Victorian-style manor and full service wedding and special events facilities.

Frye Art Museum

704 Terry Avenue, Seattle 98104
206-622-9250 www.fryeart.org

Seattle's only free art museum specializing in traditional and contemporary realist art. Enjoy lunch in the cafe or shop at the museum store. Free admission and parking.

Kenmore Air Seaplanes

Seattle Terminals on Lake Union &
North Lake Washington, Seattle
800-543-9595/425-486-1257/www.kenmoreair.com

Fly off the water from downtown Seattle to Victoria or the San Juan Islands. Fast, fun and unbelievably scenic. Economical day excursions and overnight packages.

Mayflower Park Hotel

405 Olive Way, Seattle 98101
206-623-8700/800-426-5100
www.mayflowerpark.com

Built in 1927, the Mayflower Park Hotel has been beautifully restored, retaining the ambiance of a classic European hotel. In the heart of downtown, the hotel opens directly into Westlake Center and its eighty specialty shops. Pike Place Market and the waterfront are a short five minute walk away.

Muckleshoot Casino

2402 Auburn Way, Auburn 98227
253-804-4444/800-804-4944
www.muckleshootcasino.com

Muckleshoot Casino has 1500 machines, over 50 tables, five restaurants, and live music nightly in Club Galaxy. Group packages and banquet facilities are available.

Orion Expeditions, Inc.

5111 Latona Ave NE, Seattle 98105
206-545-4289/800-553-7466
www.orionexp.com

Raft with Orion...The Good Guides in the White Rafts. Established in 1978, we are Washington's longest operating river outfitter.



**Voted top museum
in the Northwest by
FamilyFun Magazine!**

Pacific Science Center,
one of the most popular
science centers in the world,
features five buildings
of hands-on science exhibits,
educational programs,
planetarium and laser light shows,
a Tropical Butterfly House and
two giant IMAX® screen theaters,
including IMAX® 3D technology.

Information: (206) 443-2001
Group Sales: (206) 443-3625

PACIFIC SCIENCE CENTER
200 Second Avenue North
Seattle, WA 98109 • www.pacsci.org

Panama Hotel Tea & Coffee

605 1/2 Main St, Seattle 98104

206-515-4000 www.panamahotelseattle.com

Historic Panama Hotel featuring elegant teahouse with early Japanese-American artifacts and archives, & 1910-bathhouse tour. Serving world teas, coffees, pastries, & Japanese wagashi. Downtown in free bus zone. Multi-lingual staff.

Seattle IMAX® Dome Theater

Pier 59, Seattle 98101

206-622-1868 (24 hour info.)

www.seattleimaxdome.com

The domed screen surrounds the viewer. The Seattle IMAX® Dome Theater features large format films. Titles include: The Eruption of Mount St. Helens, Ocean Oasis, Dolphins and others. Program and schedule change seasonally. The IMAX® Dome Theater is across from the Pike Place Market next to the Seattle Aquarium.

Seattle Symphony at Benaroya Hall

200 University Street, Seattle 98101

206-215-4747/866-833-4747

www.seattlesymphony.org

200+ live performances from September to July with renowned guest artists. Programs include classical, pops and children's. Also visit Soundbridge Seattle Symphony Music Discovery Center.

Southcenter Mall

Junction of I-5 & I-405, Seattle 98188

206-246-7400 www.shopyourmall.com

Convenience, selection and quality—Southcenter Mall has it all! Shop the Northwest's favorite department stores: Nordstrom, The Bon Marche, JC Penny, Sears and Mervyn's. Plus over 170 specialty stores, including Mariners Team Store, Made in Washington, Gene Juarez Salon & Spa, and the Northwest's only Rainforest Cafe. 10:00 am-9:30 pm. Monday-Saturday, 11:00 am-7:00 pm Sunday.

SuperMall-**The Northwest's Largest Outlet Mall**

1101 SuperMall Way, Auburn 98001

253-833-9500/800-SAY-VALU

www.supermall.com

Over 130 stores known for value under one roof: Banana Republic, Kenneth Cole, Tommy Hilfiger, DKNY, Nordstrom Rack, Eddie Bauer Outlet, Mikasa and more.

Underground Tour

608 First Avenue, Seattle 98104

206-682-4646 www.undergroundtour.com

"Hilarious, who knew history could be such fun!"—*New York Post*. Exceptional tour guides. Dress for outdoors. Restaurant & gift shop.

Uwajimaya Stores

600 5th Avenue S., Seattle 98104

206-624-6248 Bellevue 425-747-9012

www.uwajimaya.com

Uwajimaya offers quality Asian groceries and gifts at three locations: Bellevue (Eastside); Beaverton (Portland); plus the extraordinary new Uwajimaya Village in Seattle's International District, near Safeco Field. Seattle store also features Asian food-court, parking, banking and more. Open Daily. Seattle (WA) 206-624-6248 Bellevue (WA) 425-747-9012 Beaverton (OR) 503-634-4512.

Emerald Downs

Live Racing April 19 through September 16, 2002

Open year round, Emerald Downs is the **perfect location** to host your event. We offer a full range of **catering** and event services to ensure your event is a success. We have multiple areas to accommodate groups of all sizes. For more information, please call toll free at 1-888-931-8400 or 253-288-7700 • www.emeralddowns.com

WASHINGTON'S BIGGEST CASINO!



THE MUCKLESHOOT CASINO IN AUBURN!

The Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn has 1500 machines, over 50 tables, Poker and Keno. Muckleshoot also has five restaurants, banquet facilities, free live entertainment nightly in Club Galaxy and an on-site Bingo Hall. For more information, call 1-800-804-4944. Take Highway 18 (Exit 142A from I-5) to the Auburn Way Exit and turn left. www.muckleshootcasino.com

**Muckleshoot Casino!****"THE BIGGEST & THE BEST IN THE NORTHWEST!"**

Woodland Park Zoo

Come see the animal that's been called the world's cutest ambassador for elephants.

The baby elephant at Woodland Park Zoo. For more information, call (206) 684-4800 or visit www.zoo.org.

Come see Hansa.



WOODLAND PARK ZOO

"...helping to create a sustainable future for wildlife."



Photo by Dennis Conner

5500 Phinney Avenue N. Seattle, WA 98103

Celebrating Our 40th Anniversary
Sharing Northwest Traditions

TILlicum VILLAGE®
On Blake Island

From Our Guest Book

"Best Salmon Ever!"

"Spellbinding Show!"

"Wonderful Gift Gallery!"

"Thank You!"

Tours depart and return to Pier 55,
Seattle's Central Waterfront


For Reservations or Information

(206) 933-8600 (800) 426-1205



Visit us online
tillicumvillage.com

Under lease, operated by
Washington State Parks &
Recreation Commission.

Tickets also available
through 

206-325-6500
(permit fee applies)



Spirit of Washington Dinner Train



JOURNEY TO THE COLUMBIA WINERY...
AND BACK ABOUT 50 YEARS.

Experience the nostalgia of a by-gone era as we travel along the shores of Lake Washington to the beautiful Columbia Winery. Enjoy gourmet Northwest cuisine as you dine in comfort aboard our luxurious, vintage rail cars. Departing year round from the Renton Depot, just 20 minutes from downtown Seattle.

1-800-876-RAIL
(1-800-876-7245)
Reservations Required

625 S. 4th Street
Renton, WA 98057

www.SpiritofWashingtonDinnerTrain.com

The Seattle Aquarium

Experience the wonder...



See amazing sea creatures, unusual fish, and birds that fly under water. Enjoy the antics of otters and seals. Walk underwater in the Dome. Discover a Northwest salmon stream complete with river otters, a waterfall, and children's play area. Open every day.

Downtown Waterfront, Pier 59
206-386-4320 www.seattleaquarium.org
Celebrating 25 years • 1977-2002